#### **Amendment to the Claims:**

#### Listing of the Claims

The listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Claims 1 and 2 (Cancelled)

Claim 3 (Currently Amended): A rapid dissolving reinforcing filler composition for organic systems comprising an effective amount of surface-modified, aerosol doped-pyrogenically produced oxides wherein the dopants are selected from cerium, aluminum, potassium or salts or oxides thereof, wherein the pyrogenically produced oxides are selected from the group consisting of SiO<sub>2</sub>, Al<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>, TiO<sub>2</sub>, B<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>, ZrO<sub>2</sub>, In<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>, ZnO, Fe<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>, Nb<sub>2</sub>O<sub>5</sub>, V<sub>2</sub>O<sub>5</sub>, WO<sub>3</sub>, SnO<sub>2</sub> and GeO<sub>2</sub>, and wherein the surface modification is a hydrophobic surface obtained by spraying the pyrogenic oxides, where the BET surface is between 40 and 217 m<sup>2</sup>/g and the dopant is homogeneously distributed within the pyrogenically produced oxide, with one or several compounds selected from the following groups:

- a) Organosilanes having either formula  $(RO)_3Si(C_nH_{2n+1})$  or  $(RO)_3Si(C_nH_{2n-1})$ , wherein R = alkyl, and n = 1 20;
- b) Organosilanes having either formula  $R'_x$  (RO)<sub>y</sub>Si(C<sub>n</sub>H<sub>2n+1</sub>) or (RO)<sub>3</sub>Si(C<sub>n</sub>H<sub>2n+1</sub>), wherein

$$R = alkyl,$$

$$R' = alkyl,$$

R' = cycloalkyl

$$n = 1 - 20$$
,

$$x+y = 3$$
,

$$x = 1$$
 or 2, and

$$y = 1 \text{ or } 2;$$

c) Halogen organosilanes having either formula  $X_3$  Si( $C_nH_{2n+1}$ ) or  $X_3$  Si( $C_nH_{2n-1}$ ),

$$X = Cl$$
 or  $Br$ , and

$$n = 1 - 20;$$

d) Halogen organosilanes having either formula  $X_2$  (R')  $Si(C_nH_{2n+1})$  or

$$X_{2}\left(R'\right)Si(C_{n}H_{2n-1})$$
 , wherein

$$X = Cl \text{ or } Br$$

$$n = 1 - 20;$$

e) Halogen organosilanes having formula X (R')<sub>2</sub> Si(C<sub>n</sub>H<sub>2n+1</sub>) or

$$X(R')_2 Si(C_nH_{2n-1})$$
, wherein

$$X = Cl \text{ or } Br;$$

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R' = alkyl or cycloalkyl, and
         n = 1 - 20;
         f) Organosilanes having the formula (RO)<sub>3</sub>Si(CH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>m</sub>-R'
         R = alkyl,
         m = 0 or 1-20, and
         R' = methyl-, aryl-, -C_6H_5, substituted phenyl groups,
                   -C<sub>4</sub>F<sub>9</sub>, OCF<sub>2</sub>-CHF-CF<sub>3</sub>, -C<sub>6</sub>F<sub>13</sub>, -O-CF<sub>2</sub>-CHF<sub>2</sub>,
         -NH<sub>2</sub>, =N<sub>3</sub>, -SCN, -CH=CH<sub>2</sub>, -NH- CH<sub>2</sub>-CH<sub>2</sub>-NH<sub>2</sub>,
                   -N-(CH_2-CH_2-CH_2NH_2)_2,
         -OOC(CH_3)C = CH_2,
                   -OCH_2-CH(O) CH_2,
         -NH-CO-N-CO-(CH_2)_5,
                   -NH-COO-CH_3, -NH-COO-CH_2-CH_3, -NH-(CH_2)_3Si(OR)_3,
                   -SH or
         -NR'R''R''', wherein R' = alkyl, or aryl; R'' = H, alkyl, aryl; and R''' = H, alkyl, aryl,
benzyl, or C_2H_4N(R^{"})_2, wherein R^{"}=H, or alkyl;
         g) Organosilanes having the formula (R'')<sub>x</sub> (RO)<sub>y</sub> Si(CH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>m</sub>-R', wherein
         R"
                   = alkyl or cycloalkyl,
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x+y = 2,

x = 1 or 2,

$$y = 1 \text{ or } 2,$$
  
 $m = 0 \text{ or } 1 \text{ to } 20, \text{ and }$ 

R' = methyl-, aryl,  $-C_6H_5$ , substituted phenyl groups,

$$-N-(CH_2-CH_2-NH_2)_2$$
,

-OOC 
$$(CH_3)C = CH_2$$
,

$$C_2H_4N(R^{"})_2$$
, wherein  $R^{"}=H$ , or alkyl;

h) Halogen organosilanes having the formula  $X_3Si\ (CH_2)_m$ -R', wherein

$$X = Cl \text{ or } Br,$$

$$m = 0 \text{ or } 1 - 20$$
,

R' = methyl-, aryl,  $-C_6H_5$ , substituted phenyl groups

$$-C_4F_9$$
,  $-OCF_2$ -CHF-CF<sub>3</sub>,  $-C_6F_{13}$ ,  $-O$ -CF<sub>2</sub>-CHF<sub>2</sub>,

$$-N-(CH_2-CH_2-NH_2)_2$$
,

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-OOC (CH<sub>3</sub>)C = CH<sub>2</sub>,
-OCH<sub>2</sub>-CH(O) CH<sub>2</sub>,
-NH-CO-N-CO-(CH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>5</sub>,
-NH-COO-CH<sub>3</sub>, -NH-COO-CH<sub>2</sub>-CH<sub>3</sub>, -NH-(CH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>3</sub>Si(OR)<sub>3</sub>, or
-SH;
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i) Halogen organosilanes having the formula (R)X<sub>2</sub>Si(CH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>m</sub>-R', wherein

(j) Halogen organosilanes having the formula (R)<sub>2</sub>X Si(CH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>m</sub>-R', wherein

-SH;

X = Cl or Br,

R = alkyl,

m = 0 or 1 - 20, and

R' = methyl-, aryl-,  $-C_6H_5$ , substituted phenyl groups,

-C<sub>4</sub>F<sub>9</sub>, -OCF<sub>2</sub>-CHF-CF<sub>3</sub>, -C<sub>6</sub>F<sub>13</sub>, -O-CF<sub>2</sub>-CHF<sub>2</sub>,

-NH<sub>2</sub>, -N<sub>3</sub>, SCN, -CH=CH<sub>2</sub>, -NH-CH<sub>2</sub>-CH<sub>2</sub>-NH<sub>2</sub>,

 $-N-(CH_2-CH_2-NH_2)_2$ ,

-OOC ( $CH_3$ ) $C = CH_2$ ,

-OCH<sub>2</sub>-CH(O) CH<sub>2</sub>,

-NH-CO-N-CO- $(CH_2)_5$ ,

-NH-COO-CH<sub>3</sub>, -NH-COO-CH<sub>2</sub>-CH<sub>3</sub>, -NH-(CH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>3</sub>Si(OR)<sub>3</sub> or

-SH;

## (k) Silazanes having the formula

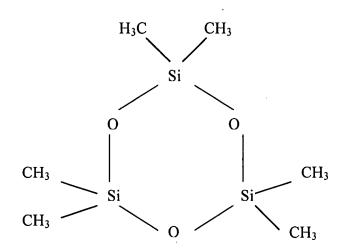
$$R'R_2Si-N-SiR_2R'$$
 $H$ 

wherein R = alkyl, and

R' = alkyl or vinyl; or

(l) Cyclic polysiloxanes D 3, D 4 or D 5,

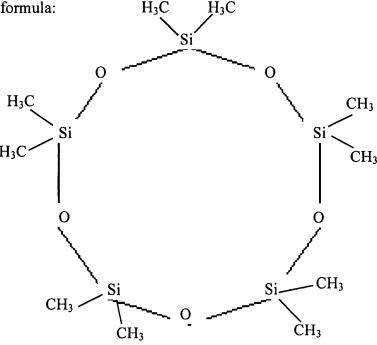
# where 1) D3 has the formula:



# 2) D4 has the formula:

$$CH_3$$
  $CH_3$   $CH_3$ 
 $H_3C$   $O$   $CH_3$ 
 $CH_3$   $CH_3$ 
 $CH_3$   $CH_3$ 

and 3) D5 has the formula:



### m) Polysiloxanes or silicone oils having any one of the formula

, 
$$Si(CH_3)_2OH$$
,  $Si(CH_3)_2$  (OCH<sub>3</sub>) or

$$Si(CH_3)_2$$
 ( $C_nH_{2n+1}$ ), wherein n=1-20,

wherein,

$$R = alkyl, aryl, (CH2)n-NH2 or H,$$

$$R' = alkyl, aryl, (CH2)n-NH2 or H,$$

R''= alkyl, aryl, 
$$(CH_2)_n$$
-NH<sub>2</sub> or H,  
R'''= alkyl, aryl,  $(CH_2)_n$ -NH<sub>2</sub> or H.

Claim 4 (Currently amended): A method of producing aerosol doped, surface-modified pyrogenically produced oxides, comprising placing aerosol doped-pyrogenically produced oxides, where the BET surface is between 40 and 217 m²/g and the dopant is homogeneously distributed within the pyrogenically produced oxide, in a suitable mixing container, spraying the oxides with water and/or acid and then spraying the oxides under intensive mixing with the surface-modification reagent or a mixture of several surface-modification reagents under conditions where oxygen is excluded, to form the aerosol doped, surface-modified, pyrogenically produced oxides, wherein the dopants are selected from cerium, aluminum, potassium, or salts or oxides thereof, wherein the oxides are selected from the group consisting of SiO<sub>2</sub>, Al<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>, TiO<sub>2</sub>, B<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>, ZrO<sub>2</sub>, In<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>, ZnO, Fe<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>, Nb<sub>2</sub>O<sub>5</sub>, V<sub>2</sub>O<sub>5</sub>, WO<sub>3</sub>, SnO<sub>2</sub> and GeO<sub>2</sub>, wherein the surface-modification reagent or a mixture of several surface-modification reagents are selected from the following groups:

- a) Organosilanes having either formula  $(RO)_3Si(C_nH_{2n+1})$  or  $(RO)_3Si(C_nH_{2n-1})$ , wherein R = alkyl, and n = 1 20;
- b) Organosilanes having either formula  $R'_x$  (RO)<sub>y</sub>Si(C<sub>n</sub>H<sub>2n+1</sub>) or (RO)<sub>3</sub>Si(C<sub>n</sub>H<sub>2n+1</sub>), wherein

$$R = alkyl,$$

$$R' = alkyl,$$

$$R' = cycloalkyl$$

$$n = 1 - 20$$
,

$$x+y = 3$$
,

$$x = 1$$
 or 2, and

$$y = 1 \text{ or } 2;$$

c) Halogen organosilanes having either formula  $X_3$  Si( $C_nH_{2n+1}$ ) or  $X_3$  Si( $C_nH_{2n-1}$ ), wherein

$$X = Cl$$
 or  $Br$ , and

$$n = 1 - 20;$$

d) Halogen organosilanes having either formula  $X_2$  (R')  $Si(C_nH_{2n+1})$  or

$$X_2$$
 (R')  $Si(C_nH_{2n-1})$ , wherein

$$X = Cl \text{ or } Br$$

$$n = 1 - 20;$$

e) Halogen organosilanes having formula X (R')<sub>2</sub> Si(C<sub>n</sub>H<sub>2n+1</sub>) or

$$X(R')_2 Si(C_nH_{2n-1})$$
, wherein

$$X = Cl \text{ or } Br;$$

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R' = alkyl or cycloalkyl, and
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f) Organosilanes having the formula (RO)<sub>3</sub>Si(CH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>m</sub>-R'
R = alkyl,
m = 0 or 1-20, and
R' = methyl-, aryl-, -C_6H_5, substituted phenyl groups,
         -C<sub>4</sub>F<sub>9</sub>, OCF<sub>2</sub>-CHF-CF<sub>3</sub>, -C<sub>6</sub>F<sub>13</sub>, -O-CF<sub>2</sub>-CHF<sub>2</sub>,
-NH_2, =N_3, -SCN, -CH=CH_2, -NH- CH_2-CH_2-NH_2,
         -N-(CH_2-CH_2-CH_2NH_2)_2,
-OOC(CH_3)C = CH_2,
         -OCH_2-CH(O) CH_2,
-NH-CO-N-CO-(CH_2)_5,
         -NH-COO-CH<sub>3</sub>, -NH-COO-CH<sub>2</sub>-CH<sub>3</sub>, -NH-(CH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>3</sub>Si(OR)<sub>3</sub>,
         -SH or
-NR'R''R''', wherein R' = alkyl, or aryl; R'' = H, alkyl, aryl; and R''' = H, alkyl, aryl,
benzyl, or C_2H_4N(R'''')_2, wherein R'''' = H, or alkyl;
g) Organosilanes having the formula (R'')_x (RO)_y Si(CH_2)_m-R', wherein
R"
         = alkyl or cycloalkyl,
x+y = 2,
x = 1 \text{ or } 2,
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$$\begin{split} y &= 1 \text{ or } 2, \\ m &= 0 \text{ or } 1 \text{ to } 20, \text{ and} \\ R' &= \text{methyl-, aryl, -C}_6H_5, \text{ substituted phenyl groups,} \\ &- C_4F_9, - \text{OCF}_2\text{-CHF-CF}_3, - \text{C}_6F_{13}, - \text{O-CF}_2\text{-CHF}_2, \\ &- \text{NH}_2, -\text{N}_3, \text{SCN, -CH= CH}_2, -\text{NH-CH}_2\text{-CH}_2\text{-NH}_2, \\ &- \text{N-(CH}_2\text{-CH}_2\text{-NH}_2)_2, \\ &- \text{OOC (CH}_3\text{)C = CH}_2, \\ &- \text{OCH}_2\text{-CH(O) CH}_2, \\ &- \text{NH-CO-N-CO-(CH}_2)_5, \\ &- \text{NH-COO-CH}_3, -\text{NH-COO-CH}_2\text{-CH}_3, -\text{NH-(CH}_2)_3\text{Si(OR)}_3, \\ &- \text{SH or} \end{split}$$

h) Halogen organosilanes having the formula X<sub>3</sub>Si (CH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>m</sub>-R', wherein

-NR'R''R''', wherein R' = alkyl or aryl; R'' = H,

alkyl, or aryl; and R'" = H, alkyl, aryl, benzyl, or

 $C_2H_4N(R'''')_2$ , wherein R'''' = H, or alkyl;

$$X = Cl \text{ or } Br,$$

$$m = 0 \text{ or } 1 - 20,$$

R' = methyl-, aryl, -C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>, substituted phenyl groups 
$$-C_4F_9, -OCF_2-CHF-CF_3, -C_6F_{13}, -O-CF_2-CHF_2,$$
 
$$-NH_2, -N_3, SCN, -CH=CH_2, -NH-CH_2-CH_2-NH_2,$$
 
$$-N-(CH_2-CH_2-NH_2)_2,$$

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-NH-COO-CH<sub>3</sub>, -NH-COO-CH<sub>2</sub>-CH<sub>3</sub>, -NH-(CH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>3</sub>Si(OR)<sub>3</sub>, or
-SH;
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-SH;

(j) Halogen organosilanes having the formula (R)<sub>2</sub>X Si(CH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>m</sub>-R', wherein

X = Cl or Br,

R = alkyl,

m = 0 or 1 - 20, and

R' = methyl-, aryl-,  $-C_6H_5$ , substituted phenyl groups,

-C<sub>4</sub>F<sub>9</sub>, -OCF<sub>2</sub>-CHF-CF<sub>3</sub>, -C<sub>6</sub>F<sub>13</sub>, -O-CF<sub>2</sub>-CHF<sub>2</sub>,

-NH<sub>2</sub>, -N<sub>3</sub>, SCN, -CH=CH<sub>2</sub>, -NH-CH<sub>2</sub>-CH<sub>2</sub>-NH<sub>2</sub>,

 $-N-(CH_2-CH_2-NH_2)_2$ ,

-OOC ( $CH_3$ ) $C = CH_2$ ,

 $-OCH_2-CH(O)$   $CH_2$ ,

-NH-CO-N-CO-(CH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>5</sub>,

-NH-COO-CH<sub>3</sub>, -NH-COO-CH<sub>2</sub>-CH<sub>3</sub>, -NH-(CH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>3</sub>Si(OR)<sub>3</sub> or

-SH;

(k) Silazanes having the formula

R'R2Si-N-SiR2R'

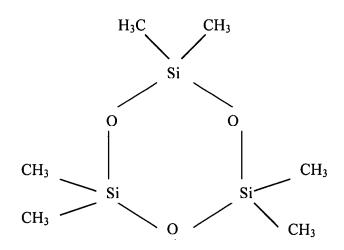
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wherein R = alkyl, and

R' = alkyl or vinyl; or

(l) Cyclic polysiloxanes D 3, D 4 or D 5,

where 1) D3 has the formula:



2) D4 has the formula:

$$CH_3$$
  $CH_3$   $CH_3$ 
 $H_3C$   $O$   $CH_3$ 
 $CH_3$   $CH_3$ 
 $CH_3$ 

m) Polysiloxanes or silicone oils having any one of the formula

, 
$$Si(CH_3)_2OH$$
,  $Si(CH_3)_2$  (OCH<sub>3</sub>) or  $Si(CH_3)_2$  (C<sub>n</sub>H<sub>2n+1</sub>), wherein n=1-20,

wherein,

$$R = alkyl, aryl, (CH_2)_n-NH_2 \text{ or } H,$$
 $R' = alkyl, aryl, (CH_2)_n-NH_2 \text{ or } H,$ 
 $R'' = alkyl, aryl, (CH_2)_n-NH_2 \text{ or } H,$ 
 $R''' = alkyl, aryl, (CH_2)_n-NH_2 \text{ or } H.$ 

Claims 5 and 6 (Cancelled).

Claim 7 (Currently amended) The method of claim 4 further comprising re-mixing the surface modification agent(s) and the aerosol doped, surface-modified, pyrogenically produced oxides for 15 to 30 minutes and tempering at a temperature of 100 to 400 °C for a period of 1 to 6 hours.

Claim 8 (Previously presented) The surface-modified, pyrogenically produced oxides according to claim 3 wherein the cyclic polysiloxanes is D 4.

Claims 9 -12 (Cancelled)

Claim 13 (New) The surface-modified, pyrogenically produced oxides according to claim 3 wherein the dopant is aluminum oxide and the pyrogenically produce oxide is silica.

Claim 14 (New) The method according to claim 4 wherein the dopant is aluminum oxide and the pyrogenically produce oxide is silica.